**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**
**DEFENCE**
**LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1878
ANSWERED ON:30.11.2000
COMPENSATION TO WARDS OF DECEASED ARMY PERSONNEL OF HARYANA
JAI PRAKASH

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Directorate General of Resettlement (DGR) had forwarded a list of Armed Forces personnel of Haryana who killed in Kargil war under Operation Vijay and Rakshak to all heads of Zila Sainik Boards, Haryana with a request to assist the war widows/next-of-kins in completing all formalities for allotment of retail distributorship of LPG/Diesel/Kerosene Oil to them;

(b) whether the respective regiments had also informed the families of Kargil Martyrs about the Government's decision to allot them the said distributorship;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the DGR, later on, rejected some claims stating that the scheme was applicable to the soldiers who killed in action in Kargil sector under Operation Vijay only;

(e) if so, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether the Government are examining any proposal to extend the said scheme to Martyrs of Kargil war irrespective of their place of death in J&K under Operation Rakshak on humanitarian grounds; and (g) if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (g): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1878 FOR 30.11.2000

In the wake of the Kargil operation, the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas announced a special scheme for allotment of 500 LPG distributorships / petrol retail outlet dealerships to the next of kins (NOKs) of the Armed Forces personnel, killed in that operation. The Director General Resettlement addressed letters to the dependant families of the soldiers, killed in Kargil operations, requesting them to send the completed application forms for allotment of agencies under the scheme. The Director General Resettlement also addressed letters to the Rajya Sainik Boards of the State Governments, including that of Haryana State, requesting them to advise Zila Sainik Boards to provide all possible assistance to war widows / NOKs/ dependants in filling up of the application forms and sending them to his office, immediately.

2. As 522 Army Personnel and 5 Air Force personnel were killed during the Kargil operation itself, it has not been possible to extend the special scheme to the NOKs of the Armed Forces personnel, killed in Operation Rakshak in Jammu & Kashmir or in any other operation.